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Sir:

I Yoichi Yamada do hereby aver that I am not aware of any instance of the art described in the above-referenced patent application as "conventional" that qualifies as statutory prior art in the United States under 35 U.S.C. §102.

Respectfully submitted,

Yoichi Yamada

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